

**PARTNERSHIP
BETWEEN
U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS
AND
THE INTERSTATE TECHNOLOGY & REGULATORY COUNCIL**

INTRODUCTION

This Agreement establishes the basis for mutual partnership and cooperation between the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) and the Interstate Technology & Regulatory Council (ITRC).

PROGRAM PURPOSE

This document creates a formal partnership between USACE and the Interstate Technology & Regulatory Council (ITRC) under the umbrella of the existing partnership agreement between the DoD and the ITRC. The purpose of this agreement is to foster the use of innovative environmental technology, streamline environmental technical criteria and guidance documents, and improve training and technology transfer. This partnership will develop active USACE participation and make the USACE a strategic partner in the ITRC. The intent of this partnership is to help transfer new and innovative ideas, concepts, and technologies among USACE, the ITRC, and state regulators at Department of Defense sites where the USACE is involved.

GENERAL SCOPE OF THE PARTNERING AGREEMENT

This agreement applies to USACE and ITRC activities in support of DoD environmental sites. This Agreement provides a framework to pursue cooperative engineering, scientific, and educational collaborations.

RESPONSIBILITIES

1. The ITRC will:
 - a. Work to streamline state regulatory review of innovative remedies.
 - b. Work to obtain multi-state acceptance of innovative technologies highly relevant to USACE projects such as Small Arms Firing Ranges and UXO.
 - c. Involve USACE in an exofficio capacity on the ITRC board, on specific ITRC teams, in development of the ITRC Five-year Plan, in major ITRC annual meetings, and in other ITRC activities.
 - d. Appoint executive and working level liaisons to participate with USACE.

2. The USACE will:

- a. Actively support the use of ITRC guidance documents throughout USACE in the selection of environmental technology.
- b. Appoint executive and working level liaisons to participate with ITRC.
- c. Encourage participation by USACE personnel on ITRC teams and in the free ITRC internet and classroom training.
- d. Help develop and support the ITRC Five Year Plan.
- e. Execute appropriate agreements with ITRC at the request of DoD.
- f. Confirm benefits from the use of ITRC guidance documents and/or training.

AUTHORITIES, LAWS, AND REGULATIONS

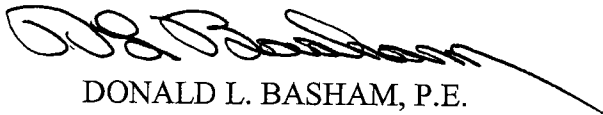
Any specific work undertaken as the result of this initiative will comply with applicable authorities, laws, and regulations. As needed, other agreements may be developed and executed to document and authorize specific work. This agreement does not authorize obligation of funds or commit particular resources. It is neither a funding nor a procurement document. Any exchange of funds or other tangible resources in furthering the purposes of this Agreement will require execution of a separate written instrument, such as a Cooperative Research and Development Agreement or a Support Agreement, in accordance with applicable laws.

EXECUTIVE LIAISON

USACE and ITRC will each designate an Executive Liaison and a working level liaison to maintain overall communications and coordination between the two organizations. This is not intended to inhibit any person from either organizations from direct communications on efforts or potential efforts under this agreement.

PERIOD OF AGREEMENT

This Agreement will become effective upon the date of the last approving signature and will remain in effect until modified or terminated by either participating organization. Modification can be made at any time by mutual agreement of the signatories or their successors. Either party may withdraw from this agreement at any time by providing the partner with a 30-day written notification to that effect.



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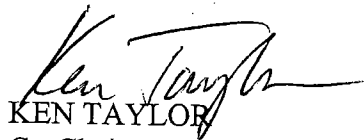
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